

IN THE CLAIMS:

1 (currently amended): A DRAM cell comprising:

a vertical MOSFET transistor on a substrate having an N type doped region forming a buried plate, said vertical transistor being provided with an N+ type doped drain, a P type doped ~~well~~ above said buried plate, and an N+ type doped region forming the transistor source; and

a deep trench formed within said substrate, said deep trench having a collar separating said drain from said buried plate, said deep trench having ~~an insulated first region filled with polysilicon and a second region on top of said insulated first region forming a gate, said a gate~~ comprised of three superimposed conductive layers within said deep trench controlling a channel, the topmost conductive layer being insulated by spacers, and the two bottom conductive layers being comprising two gates respectively formed of two materials.

2 (original): The DRAM cell as recited in claim 1 wherein the gate material nearest to said drain has a lower work function than the work function of said second gate material away from said drain.

3 (previously presented): The DRAM cell as recited in claim 2 wherein the gate is capped by a conductive layer formed of either one of said dual work function gate materials.

4 (currently amended): The DRAM cell as recited in claim 3 wherein said topmost conductive layer ~~cap on top of said gate is insulated by spacers~~ is connected to a passgate formed outside said deep trench.

5 (currently amended): The DRAM cell as recited in claim 1 wherein said topmost conductive layer is made of polysilicon ~~region is insulated by an oxide layer.~~

6 (previously presented): The DRAM cell as recited in claim 1 wherein said gate materials are selected from a group consisting of W, WSi₂, Al, Cr, Mo, Ti, TiN, polysilicon, CrSi₂, MoSi₂, NiSi₂, Pd₂Si₂, PtSi and TiSi₂.

7 (currently amended): A DRAM cell provided with a vertical MOSFET transistor on a substrate having an N doped region forming a buried plate, said vertical transistor being provided with an N+ type doped drain, a P type doped well above said buried plate, and an N+ type doped region forming the transistor source, the DRAM cell comprising:

a deep trench formed within said substrate, said deep trench provided with a collar to separate said drain from said buried plate, said deep trench having an insulated first region filled with polysilicon and a second region on top of said insulated first region forming a gate ~~said gate controlling a channel is comprised of two gates, respectively made of two materials~~ being comprised of three superimposed conductive layers within said deep trench controlling a channel, the topmost conductive layer being insulated by spacers, and the two bottom conductive layers being formed of two materials.

8 (withdrawn): The method of fabricating a DRAM cell comprising the steps of:

forming a deep trench capacitor within a substrate, said deep trench being partially filled with polysilicon and topped by a trench top oxide;

forming a vertical transistor by diffusing a drain adjoining to the outer surface of said deep trench and contiguous to said trench top oxide;

forming said vertical transistor gate oxide on the walls of said deep trench;

filling the upper portion of said deep trench with a first gate material to a first height of said deep trench, and a second gate material on top of said first gate material, said second gate material only partially filling said deep trench to a second height of said deep trench, said first and second heights being less than the total depth of said deep trench;

forming spacers on the exposed walls of said deep trench;

filling the remainder of said deep trench contacting said uppermost gate material with conductive material, said uppermost gate material being surrounded by said spacers; and

successively implanting into said substrate a buried plate, a well, and said transistor source.

9 (withdrawn): The method as recited in claim 8 wherein said first and second gate materials have respectively different work functions.

10 (withdrawn): The method as recited in claim 8, wherein N⁺ in-situ doped polysilicon is deposited at the bottom of said deep trench by chemical-vapor deposition and recessed by reactive ion etch to a predetermined depth that determines the channel length of said vertical transistor.

11 (withdrawn): The method as recited in claim 8, wherein said oxide layer deposited around said side-wall of said deep trench above said polysilicon forms a collar oxide, providing vertical isolation between said deep trench and said vertical transistor.

12 (withdrawn): The method as recited in claim 11, wherein said gate oxide layer is formed by furnace dry oxidation.

13 (withdrawn): The method as recited in claim 11 wherein an in-situ doped n⁺ polysilicon is deposited by chemical vapor deposition and planarized by way of chemical mechanical polishing; said oxide layer acting as a stop layer for said planarization of said polysilicon.

14 (withdrawn): The method as recited in claim 8 wherein said uppermost gate material has a higher work function than the lowermost gate material, said uppermost gate material being deposited by chemical vapor deposition.

15 (withdrawn): The method as recited in claim 14 wherein the topmost surface is planarized by chemical mechanical polishing, said oxide layer acting as a stop layer for the planarization of said uppermost gate material.